



## INNOVATING WITH NATURE

### Natural capital and ecosystem services for sustainable EU policies

Tuesday, 1 March 2016, 09:30 – 13:00

Royal Academies for Sciences and the Arts of Belgium

Hertogstraat 1 Rue Ducale, 1000 Brussels, Belgium

AGENDA	PLENARY SESSION at the Royal Academies
09:00	Registration
09:30	WELCOMING ADDRESS by Mrs <b>Sirpa PIETIKÄINEN</b> MEP HIGH-LEVEL STATEMENTS by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr <b>Mari van DREUMEL</b>, the Netherlands Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment, EU Presidency</li><li>• Mr <b>Kurt VANDENBERGHE</b>, Director, European Commission DG R&amp;I.</li></ul>
10:00	PANEL DISCUSSION: Mrs <b>Margrete AUKEN</b> MEP; Mr <b>Mark DEMESMAEKER</b> , MEP; Mr <b>Kurt VANDENBERGHE</b> , DG R&I; Dr <b>Xavier LE ROUX</b> , CEO BiodivERsA
10:30	INTRODUCING THE PROJECTS: Dr <b>Eeva FURMAN</b> , OpenNESS; Dr <b>Mark ROUNSEVELL</b> , OPERAs
10:40	INTRODUCING OPPLA - a 'one stop shop' for the latest knowledge and practice on nature-based solutions. Mr <b>Paul MAHONY</b> , Countryside
11:10	INTERACTIVE SCIENCE-POLICY DIALOGUE showcasing how innovating with nature contributes to sustainable EU policies. Four different policy issues will be addressed: water retention, urban environment, climate change adaptation, natural capital accounting. All participants are invited to join the dialogue by posting questions to 'Ask Oppla'
12:50	CLOSING: Mrs <b>Natalia MATTING</b> , DG GROW; Mrs <b>Birgit DE BOISSEZON</b> , DG R&I. Next steps: Dr <b>Eeva FURMAN</b> and Dr <b>Mark ROUNSEVELL</b>
AFTERNOON SESSION at DG Research & Innovation , European Commission (de Marsveldstraat 21 Rue du Champs, Brussels; walking distance)	
13:30	LUNCH
14:00 – 17:00	QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION at DG Research & Innovation or Online <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Answering morning session questions posed through 'Ask Oppla' through e-mail, by the Oppla team and with support of researchers from OpenNESS and OPERAs.</li><li>• Possibility for direct conversation with the Oppla, OpenNESS &amp; OPERAs teams in person and to discuss in more detail specific questions or policy briefs.</li></ul>



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